

The quarterly meeting of the Town of Mahone Bay's Police Advisory Board was held on Thursday, August 6, 2020 at 9:08 a.m. via Zoom digital meeting platform.

Present:

Mayor D. Devenne
Councillor R. Nowe
Councillor J. Feeney
Bill Kowalski
CAO, D. Heide
Clerk, M. Hughes
Sgt. Dave Ferguson, RCMP

Absent: Aaron Collery

Approval of Agenda

A motion by Councillor Nowe, seconded by Councillor Feeney, **"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."** **Motion carried.**

Minutes

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Mr. Kowalski, **"THAT the minutes of the April 30, 2020 meeting of the Police Advisory Board be approved as presented."** **Motion carried.**

Presentation of Police Reports

Sgt. Ferguson presented the quarterly reports for the Town of Mahone Bay as well as the annual statistics for the Lunenburg County District.

Sgt. Ferguson noted that the quarterly report showed the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on RCMP operations, including redeployment of resources and efforts as well as a spike in mental health related calls, presumed to be related to the pandemic. RCMP were also involved in calls in respect to the Health Protection Act occurrences and Quarantine Act occurrences.

Also noted in the report was a focus on response to the multiple complaints that RCMP received in this quarter regarding the trail system. Specifically, Sgt. Ferguson referenced the ongoing support for increased concerns related to off-road vehicles in Mahone Bay.

It was noted that the new RCMP boat has arrived, is now in commission; committee members noted the positive comments expressed in the community from those who have noted the boat in the harbour.

Speed Sign Statistics

Members of the Police Advisory Board received the Speed Sign Statistics for April, May, and June 2020. Committee members noted a trend of high average speed on Main Street and the need to increase speed enforcement in that area; Sgt. Ferguson advised that the RCMP are making plans to address those enforcement needs.

Next Meeting: November 26, 2020

The meeting adjourned upon motion at 9:50 a.m.

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Town Clerk, Maureen Hughes

